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MESSAGE:

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GAU 3673

Enclosed please find Applicant's Response to Office Action Dated January 27, 2006. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,

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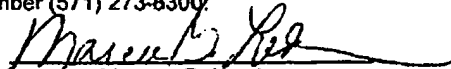
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FOR:	Distributed Buoyancy Subsea	§	
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 27, 2006

Atty. Docket No.: 030742/KEL-111

Date: February 3, 2006

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Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated January 27, 2006 setting out a restriction requirement, and in response requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

Please find enclosed the following sections:

Amendments to the Claims, beginning on page 2.

Remarks, beginning on page 11.